--- 1/12th Pound - Series “A” - 155 x 15 mm. - scanned at 100% scale ---

The catalogue lists the 155 x 15 mm. black, 1/12th pound Series “A” strips as follows:

RP-816 - 1/12th pound, coarse roulette, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***
RP-817 - 1/12th pound, *imperforate*, with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers***

--- RP-816 - ***coarse roulette*** - with ***4½ mm. blue control numbers*** - ***undated*** cancellations ---

These *undated* roller cancellations are arranged sequentially by control number, but actually constitute many different control number sequences. They fit into the following *dated* sequence in an unknown order.

RP-816 - 1/12th pound, *coarse roulette*, control **9830007**
Stamped ***Sample*** in the cancellation panel

0066992	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
0422225	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
0438549	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
0782457	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
0805804	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
0806554	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
0825382	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
1124844	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
1649324	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **2-50-E**
1884846	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **37 - E**
1981283	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **2-50-E**
2280322	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, with an unreadable roller cancellation
2284585	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, with an unreadable roller cancellation
3561228	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **40-10-D**
4659379	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**
6598323	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered 3-13-I
9830007 ★	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, stamped ***Sample*** in cancellation panel
9997080	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, rollered **18-10-D**

The initial recorded use of the 1/12th pound **“Series B”** strip occurred in September 1931, so use of **Series “A”** and **Series “B”** overlapped at the different companies for about three years. The separating method was specified by the manufacturer. The earlier *coarse roulette* was gradually replaced by the *imperforate* strip as machine application came into greater use at the larger companies.

The 1/12th pound denomination is one of the few that occurs in both **Series “A”** and **Series “B”**. It is obvious from the dated examples, and their control numbers, that the two methods of separation occur concurrently during the control number runs, and that *there are about six or seven runs through the control number sequence*.

Without any documentation to support me, I feel that the **“Series of 1915”** Specimen strips, control numbered in a bluish-purple ink with seven zeroes **0000000** in the panels, were made by ABN when they first introduced the strip in 1915, and that those strips stamped ***Sample***, which carry blue control numbering, were made by CBN as examples of their production, when they were split off from their parent company in 1923.

--- RP-817 - *imperforate* - with *4½ mm. blue control numbers* - *undated* cancellations ---

RP-817 - 1/12th pounds, *imperforate*, control **5099231**
Roller cancelled **1-10-D** by "Macdonald Tobacco", Montreal

0142802		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-18-E**
0203003 ★		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, with an unreadable roller cancellation
0593728		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-18-E**
2429105		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
2795605		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **6 - 13 - D**
3562633		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-18-E**
4261751		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
4355166		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
4360566		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
4401608		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-18-E**
4449560		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
4782156		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **6 - 13 - D**
4782186		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, with an unreadable roller cancellation
4838915		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
5099231 ★		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
5387377		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
5389387		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
5393441		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
5515368 ★		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-18-E**
5518758		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
5693042		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
5869616	03/32	RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, coded **2 3 32**, plus an unreadable red roller?
7206805		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
8141514		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**
8346651		RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D**

--- RP-817 - *imperforate* - with *4½ mm. blue control numbers* - *dated* cancellations ---

3060670	04/33	RP-817	1/12th pound, imperforate, rollered **1-10-D-4-33**

--- RP-816 - *coarse roulette* - with *4½ mm. blue control numbers* - *dated* cancellations ---

The first recorded *dated* copy of the *coarse roulette* 1/12th pound **Series "A"** strip was used by "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in December 1927, and the last, also from "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, comes from March 1934.

RP-816 - 1/12th pounds, *coarse roulette*, control **7258788**, clipped imperforate during packaging
Coded **1 1928 / 1-23-D** by "Imperial Tobacco", Granby, in January 1928

2411922	12/27	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 12 1927**
6863681	02/27	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 2 1927**
8980296	10/27	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 10 1927**
9076248	10/27	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 10 1927**
9253656	03/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 3 1928**
7258788 ★	01/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 1 1928**
9589689	06/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 6 1928**
9589920	06/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 6 1928**
7908664	10/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 10 1928**
9131934	11/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 11 1928**
9514025	11/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 11 1928**
0596492	05/29	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 5 1929**
2538513	12/28	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / TOBACCO / 12 1928**
8553684	11/29	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 1129**

RP-816 - 1/12th pounds, *coarse roulette*, control **1409043**
Coded **6-10-D / 130** by "Imperial Tobacco", Montreal, in January 1930

1409043 ★	01/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 130**
3081043	02/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 230**
4235072	02/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 230**
9272615 ★	09/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 930**
2212958	10/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 1030**
3304241	10/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 1030**
3697541 ★	10/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 1030**
7244051	11/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 1130**
1357030	12/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **1-23-D / 1230**
1357041	12/30	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 1230**
2187948	05/31	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 531**
7715159	04/32	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 432**
7716745	04/32	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 432**
6884226	05/32	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / 532**
2907732	04/33	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / AB3**
9622328	08/33	RP-816	1/12th pound, coarse roulette, coded **6-10-D / BC3**

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